

Erie County Human Relations Commission

Minutes – July 28, 2015

Attendance

Commissioners: Judy Jobes, George Morgan, Bob Howden, Vicky Taylor, Amy Danzer
Staff: Joe Aguglia, Heidi Meyer, Charlotte Scalise

Meeting was called to order at 6:09 pm

Approval of Minutes

The motion was made to approve the minutes by George Morgan and seconded by Bob Howden.
Approved unanimously.

Directors Report

Tom Harrington now works on Tuesday evenings. Joe has not been able to talk to him. We may look to change the meetings back to Monday. Other commissioners have health issues that may prevent them from continuing to serve. Discussions will take place with these commissioners.

The county budget hearings will be in September.

Old Business

The summary of the housing testing that was completed was given to those who were not at the meeting in June.

County Council would be ok to publish the results from the housing testing information so long as names and addresses were not available. Only after:

1. the check was received to pay the testing company,
2. the city and county councils, mayor and county executive got the information,
3. the county testing was completed,
4. the information was disseminated to advocacy agencies,

would the information be released to the media and public.

The housing seminary went well with the only complaints being about running out of food and wanting bottles of water rather than pitchers of water.

New Business

An employment hearing will be scheduled. September 14, 21 & 28 are possibilities. Joe will set up the hearing and inform us of the date and parties involved.

The RFP for the county testing was put out last week in the Erie paper. Those who had been interested in the last RFP were all notified. The areas of the county to be tested are not determined yet. The RFPs are due August 24 so there may be the determination of who will get the contract.

National night out is August 4 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. The HRC will be at the JFK center.

The Family Resource Fair will be August 28 at Pfeiffer-Burleigh from 10 to 3.

Charlotte has spoken with a public relations specialist to help update our information and materials. If you know of someone at a college who could help recruit students to produce the materials, please contact Charlotte with the information.

Public Comment

The Progressive Seminar will be August 30. The cost is \$20.

Ryan Bizzarro is putting on a senior seminar on August 31 at the Tom Ridge Environmental Center.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Bob Howden and seconded by Vicky Taylor. Approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:49 pm.